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53A-1-1505 Digital Teaching and Learning Grant Program -- Board duties -- Advisory committee -- LEA plan requirements.

- (1) There is created the Digital Teaching and Learning Grant Program to improve educational outcomes in public schools by effectively incorporating comprehensive digital teaching and learning technology.
- (2) The board shall:
 - (a) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, adopt rules for the administration of the program, including rules requiring:
 - (i) an LEA plan to include measures to ensure that the LEA monitors and implements technology with best practices, including the recommended use for effectiveness;
 - (ii) an LEA plan to include robust goals for learning outcomes and appropriate measurements of goal achievement;
 - (iii) an LEA to demonstrate that the LEA plan can be fully funded by grant funds or a combination of grant and local funds; and
 - (iv) an LEA to report on funds from expenses previous to the implementation of the LEA plan that the LEA has redirected after implementation;
 - (b) establish an advisory committee to make recommendations on the program and LEA plan requirements and report to the board; and
 - (c) in accordance with this part, approve LEA plans and award grants.
- (3)
 - (a) The board shall, subject to legislative appropriations, award a grant to an LEA:
 - (i) that submits an LEA plan that meets the requirements described in Subsection (4); and
 - (ii) for which the LEA's leadership and management members have completed a digital teaching and learning leadership and implementation training as provided in Subsection (3)(b).
 - (b) The board or its designee shall provide the training described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii).
- (4) The board shall establish requirements of an LEA plan that shall include:
 - (a) the results of the LEA's digital readiness assessment and a proposal to remedy an obstacle to implementation or other issues identified in the assessment;
 - (b) a proposal to provide high quality professional learning for educators in the use of digital teaching and learning technology;
 - (c) a proposal for leadership training and management restructuring, if necessary, for successful implementation;
 - (d) clearly identified targets for improved student achievement, student learning, and college readiness through digital teaching and learning; and
 - (e) any other requirement established by the board in rule in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, including an application process and metrics to analyze the quality of a proposed LEA plan.
- (5) The board or the board's designee shall establish an interactive dashboard available to each LEA that is awarded a grant for the LEA to track and report the LEA's long-term, intermediate, and direct outcomes in realtime and for the LEA to use to create customized reports.
- (6)
 - (a) There is no federal funding, federal requirement, federal education agreement, or national program included or related to this state adopted program.
 - (b) Any inclusion of federal funding, federal requirement, federal education agreement, or national program shall require separate express approval as provided in Title 53A, Chapter 1, Part 9, Implementing Federal or National Education Program Act.

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